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FROM ORAN.

There is complaint made that the hymn books at the M. E. church at this place are being mutilated and torn. The party who is guilty surely does not know the penalty for such an offense. A hint to the wise is, or ought to be, sufficient.

The discussion between the Morley and Oran Literary societies Friday night on Woman suffrage was decided in favor of Oran. Mr. Cooper, of Morley, Mr. Allen, of Oran, and Mr. Wade, of Benton, were the judges. The discussion was enjoyed by all who heard it. The music by Mrs. Leslie and Miss Harrison, of Morley, that by Prof. Scholz and the young ladies of Oran was delightful. The parody on "Kiss and let's make up," as sung by Miss Estelle Querry was a treat and "brought down the house." Miss Querry is a natural musician and she has a voice whose tones are rich, deep and sweet.

Col. Gillespie says sand is a good thing in a chickens' craps, but it won't do for men in Oran.

Judge Hale moved his stock of drugs into the Last Chance building last Tuesday.

The protracted meeting at the M. E. church is still in progress at this writing.

Mr. Logrand's new residence and butcher shop is now ready for occupancy.

Rumor says that Robt. Wright has purchased the W. W. Dyer property. Rev. Reeves, of Morley, filled his appointment here Sunday. He is rather more cheerful than the average preacher. He claims that his enunciations are doing good work, have good Sunday schools, good prayer meetings and are prompt in paying his bills.

Frank Zundel has visited several towns in Southeast Missouri this week. He says Oran is the liveliest town he knows of, and the only one where much building is being done. We predicted that the hard times could not knock us out, we have too many resources for such an occurrence.

Sickness is on the decrease.

Thos. Hughes' new hotel will be under foot by the time this reaches your readers.

—Monday last was quite a stirring day in Benton, a special meeting of the county judges to appoint a sheriff pro tem being the cause of the stir. The two candidates—Sam Tanner and Riley Batts—each had petitions numerously signed, and both are men well qualified for the office. The judges, however, not being required by law to regard petitions in such cases, exercised their judgment independent of these petitions, and Mr. Tanner was appointed. In his capacity of constable Mr. Tanner has proved himself a vigilant and faithful officer, and will, doubtless, make an equally good sheriff. Between now and the primary he will have a good opportunity to show the voters of what material he is made, and he should not be slow to avail himself of the chance.

—You can find as good a pair of spectacles at the Benton Drug Store as in the city. All the lenses are perfect, all ages are fitted and all purses suited. A good line of gold mounted goods on hand.

—Probate court was in session Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday finishing up some cases undecided at the regular term.

—For good Baled Hay, apply to W. C. Lambert, Benton.

—Friday afternoon of next week a couple of Dago peddlers appeared in Benton and attempted to ply their trade. They sold nothing in town, but Constable Welch followed them down to Wm. Spalding's where one of them was showing his goods. Being asked if he had license, he hastily raked up his goods and pleaded that "me not sell anything." Welch arrested them after considerable resistance, and jailed them. They were given the option of taking out county license or going before Squire Cannon. Before Squire Cannon they went and, it being proved that they had sold goods near town they were fined and costed to the tune of \$19.10 each. They protested that they had no money, but on being searched in jail both were found to wear belts in one of which bills to the amount of \$117 was found and in the other silver money of \$43 face value. They paid their fines and departed.

—John R. Welch went to St. Louis Thursday.

—A ball and supper are billed for the Opera House at Morley next Wednesday night.

—J. M. Lettich was in Sikeston Wednesday and Thursday.

—Dr. Butler's horses had their final occasional runaway Thursday morning. It's a cold day when one of the doctor's vehicles isn't in the wagon shop.

FROM BLODGETT.

London Sherrill and Frank Reddick left Tuesday evening for Mississippi county, where they go in the interest of E. O. Graham, nurseryman of Rochester, New York.

C. L. Stubbs has lost his "Grippe" and returned to work this morning. The rest of the Grippe and pneumonia patients including Dr. R. A. Sparks, J. H. Stagner, Stephen Peal, Joe Sawyer, Thomas Adams, L. Sherrill, et al, are stirring about more or less, for which let us be happy on the way, and trust it is the last raid of the pestilential foreign invader.

Preparations are being made to discover another comet. One that doesn't get up so early in the morning is preferred.

B. F. Marshall and Wm. Lemley were visitors to the county seat for a few hours last Tuesday evening, fording the mud and water which personate the roads in this county.

J. B. Dick, of St. Louis, attorney for the Wrought Iron Range Co., of that city, is in town on a collecting trip. He is accompanied by his wife and little daughter and is staying at the famous Commercial Hotel.

You never know how much water an umbrella will contain until you accidentally stand in it against the wall and on the carpet for which you paid \$2 per yard.

J. D. Peal took the north bound train for Morley last Tuesday. He was on business but did not let anybody here know what it was. It may have been connected with the Ananias club.

G. W. Lemley, philologist, extomologist and excavator, extraordinary of terra firma, accompanied by Lemley terrible brother, Arthur, returned last Monday from a ten days sojourn in the wilds of Kentucky. There must be a magnet of some description over there for this gentleman, sure, for his heigins over there are becoming noticible.

Don't lie on the left side too much—lie on the side that pays best. If you feel compelled to lie anyhow.

The young folks of this place enjoyed a nice sociable at the residence of Mrs. Jennie Baker last Wednesday night. She leaves Thursday for East Cape, Ill., where she will make her home for the future. As this was a sort of farewell concert there were a good many reminiscences exchanged and after all had thoroughly enjoyed themselves the crowd broke up after singing "God be With You" according to plans and specifications laid down.

C. L. Stubbs, Henry Schroeder, V. O. Scofield and L. Sherrill are in possession of an ancient guitar, with which they wrestle periodically, much to the disgust of the neighbors. Sometimes the boys will be on top and then the guitar, and again it will be a dog fall owing to a tendency to shed its strings all at once, and let its back hair down and rear around like a cowcatcher on a spree.

It had got out somehow that there was going to be fun in the Ananias camp last Saturday night and when the boys came together on the three flat cars at the south end of the house track switch, there was a boding silence. The M. W. L. picked up a stray dog and with it rapped for order. The scratchetery said he had a letter from Sikeston Lodge No. 87, 542 A. C. of U. S., stating that a person calling himself Sontide Bonner was in town claiming to be a member of the Blodgett A. C., and disposing of pictures said to represent the M. W. L. The photograph sent with the letter show a colored person of about 48, in a state of innocuous desuetude, broken nose, squint eyed, front teeth gone and his ears would shade the livery stable at this place. Was it all right or was the man an impostor? The M. W. L. was jumping four feet high. Bro. Dickerson's cigar had gone out and the gang was shidding it's coats and it only took 21 seconds to send a telegram to arrest that con, and stating that:

I. We have no traveling agent.
II. No chromos.
III. Don't invent or indorse patent medicines.
IV. Have no presidential candidate for '96.
V. Always loaded for bear.
VI. Drink nothing stronger than alcohol.

HARDOLFINISH.

—Mules, Horses and Mares to sell on time by J. F. Evans, Blodgett, Mo.

—B. F. Anderson and wife of Commerce, were in town Thursday.

—George Everhardt and family, of Charleston, were visiting friends in Benton the early part of this week.

—Frank Miller went to St. Louis Thursday to buy spring goods.

—The infant child of David Stehr was buried at New Hamburg, Wednesday.

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RESPECTFULLY,
G. MANDELSON,
Friend Building, ORAN, MO.

FROM SIKESTON.

Died, on Monday last, of membranous croup, the youngest child of R. B. Johnston. The funeral took place from the M. E. church Tuesday morning. The sympathy of a large circle of friends goes out to the bereaved parents.

Mrs. Laura Slack, of New Madrid, who formerly lived here, has been very low with pneumonia, but a telegram was received here Tuesday stating her condition slightly improved. Mrs. Slack has many friends here who are anxious for her recovery.

Ed. Marshall is confined to his home with symptoms of pneumonia.

Wm. Marshall, of Moorehouse, spent Tuesday in Sikeston.

Misses Maggie Moore and Daisy Randol are in St. Louis reviewing bibles and buying millinery goods for the coming season.

Rube Matthews and Price Harris enjoyed themselves at the Cairo Opera House Saturday night.

Washington's Birthday was observed by the schools. Miss Birdie Coleman marched her scholars through the streets to the main school building, where a short program was executed and the pupils dismissed for a holiday.

The protracted meeting announced for this week at the M. E. church did not materialize. The ministers are too busy fighting his Satanian majesty elsewhere.

The Charleston Dramatic Club gave a charity entertainment here a month ago and left ten dollars for the poor of Sikeston. Many enquiries are coming in as to the disposition of this money. There are many worthy poor who need help now, when fuel and other expenses hang over them.

CIRCUMFERENCE.

He Had Better Keep Mum.
A certain old gentleman (?) who tries to make himself conspicuous in the affairs of Scott county, had better "look a leetle out." A man who defrauds his creditors, leaves the county in order to let the stink blow over and, after several years returns, serves written notice on the officials that he claims everything he has under the exemption laws, and has judgments staring him in the face from every point of the compass, has no right to try to dictate the politics of this county. He should be satisfied to be allowed to remain here as a private citizen. "A word to the wise is sufficient."

—WANTED. A young man to learn photography. A most lucrative and profitable trade. For terms write to Depew's Photo Studio, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

—Both Frank Margraux and his wife, of Kelso, are reported seriously ill.

—George Brock, for disturbing the peace Wednesday night, had an interview with Squire Cannon Thursday, which cost him \$5 and costs. In default of payment he was sent to jail.

HOTEL MAN WANTED.

There is an excellent opening for a live hotel man in Benton. The Benton House, destroyed in the fire, did a good business the year round, and the terms of Circuit, County and Probate courts brought to it much additional trade. Its proprietor, Mr. Vincent Heisserer, has decided to spend the balance of his days on one of his farms. Here, there is an opportunity for a man of energy and experience in the business. In a couple of years the town will be in better shape than ever before, and during its reconstruction a hotel would board the best of the mechanics employed. Much capital is not necessary, and what is necessary a good man could find here on easy terms. We will be glad to furnish any information required.

Will our exchanges please mention this matter in their Southeast news?

—Rev. Minich, of Morley, started on Sunday morning for Macedonia, where he had an engagement to preach. He only, however, went as far as the Cheering Chapel near Cross Plains, where he addressed the Sunday school, and started on his return home. At the Benton depot he turned into the open field to cut off the angle of the road and just there his horse shied and he was thrown from the road cart. He was found severely bruised about the head and carried to Mr. Lambert's house and Dr. Butler sent for. It was seven o'clock Monday morning before Mr. Minich regained consciousness. His relations had been telegraphed for Sunday evening but had not received the dispatch. On coming to his senses he at once insisted on going home and, despite remonstrances, resumed his journey alone.

—Joe Compas has had rock quarried and hauled to his lot in town and will begin building operations as soon as the weather permits.

—YOUNG PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN CHEAP. Best cabinet Photos reduced from \$3 to \$2 per dozen for the next ten days only. Special reduced prices to families. Depew's Photo Gallery, near Court House, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

—John B. Greer and J. N. Chaney, of Sikeston, were in Benton on Monday and E. B. Mills on Tuesday. They all report Sikeston in statu quo as the town of steady growth and steady habits.

—We had a pleasant call from Mr. J. H. Winkelman, of New Hamburg, last Saturday.

—The parsonage and teacher's dwelling at New Hamburg have been roofed with slate. Slate comes pretty high, but it outlasts any other kind of roof four to one.

—Sheriff Tanner has appointed Jim Cannon jailer at the county jail.

—Hall and Cooper lands for sale on time payments. Apply to Albert C. Davis, 520 Olive St., St. Louis.

—See if your paper is marked "March 4." If so, that signifies that your time is up.

FROM MORLEY.

Victor Scofield, of Blodgett, was on our streets one day last week. Victor says Morley is going to be the big town of the west.

Wm. Hunter purchased from M. V. Harris the lot that the livery stable is on. Mr. Hunter will erect a larger brick on the same in the spring.

The great Ajax distillery has shut down for a few days. Val. says he will put in his time sewing buttons on his breeches.

The little son of Nelson McGill, of Little River, died last Saturday, and was buried here Sunday.

There was a nice snow fall here last Sunday. Several of our young folks were out sleighing on Monday.

The Morley boys went up to Oran last Friday night to "do" the club there, but the Oran's made the Morleyites believe the women ought to suffer.

H. H. Daugherty has the lumber on the ground to build a couple of nice houses for rent.

B. S. Card also has lumber on hand to build a two story house on the north side of town.

A house of Wm. Hunters, south of town, burnt down last Friday.

C. R. Hunter has returned from St. Louis, where he bought him a span of fine mules. Dick says they are daisies. One of them is over 17 hands high.

There is strong talk of organizing an A. O. U. W. Lodge at this place. We hope the good people will put their shoulders to the wheel and not let it die out.

Dick Halley paid a flying visit to Delta last Thursday.

Charley Torbert, of Commerce, is here helping Agent Leslie in the depot, vice Dick Halley resigned.

Morley was somewhat depopulated last Thursday night. When we asked the cause everybody was reported in Benton celebrating Washington's birthday.

Crit Burton passed through here last week en route to Howell county for a few days rest and a change of climate.

Several of the children of this town and vicinity have a disease something like diphtheria. Old Sox.

—Wm. Lloyd, charged with the murder of Charley Archer, was taken by Sheriff Tanner to Oran Wednesday for preliminary examination, which he waived, and was held for the Grand Jury.

—Mrs. W. F. Miller left Benton Tuesday. She will reside at Morley.

—Judge Albrecht was in to see us Wednesday. He is primed and loaded on Income Tax and cognate questions. Republicans beware!

—A. V. Daniels, of Diehlstadt, was in Benton Wednesday.

—FOR SALE. In Benton, a good six room house, lot 1054 x 1384 feet. Also a good shop, 25 x 75 feet, lot same size as above. Terms easy. Address H. L. Yeakey, Benton, Mo.

OBITUARY.

Hon. John R. Coffman died at his residence in Commerce, Mo., at 3 o'clock, a. m., March 1, 1894, aged 47 years 3 months and 18 days.

Deceased was born October 13, 1846, on a farm in Ste. Genevieve county, Missouri, educated at the Washington University of St. Louis, studied medicine and graduated at the St. Louis medical college in 1869, and at the college of Physicians and Surgeons of New York in 1870. He practiced medicine in Grandbury, Tex., until 1874, when he came to Scott county, Missouri. Since then he has been engaged in farming and practicing his profession here.



HON. JOHN R. COFFMAN.

He at all times took an active part in the politics of the county and district and in 1890 ran for and was elected State Representative, to which he was re-elected in 1892. His health during the past winter had not been very good and when in attendance at the recent meeting of the United Workman order at St. Louis he contracted a cold which resulted first in pleurisy and ultimately in acute pneumonia, the latter appearing only a day or two before his death.

Dr. Coffman was a man whose death is a loss to the entire community. A good physician, an able Representative, a highly esteemed citizen and a kind husband and father, he has been called away in the prime of a useful career. His family have the sympathy of all who knew him.

The funeral takes place from the M. E. church, at Commerce, to-day (Saturday) at 10 o'clock.

SOUTHEAST NOTES.

The W. C. T. U. at Marble Hill are after violators of the liquor laws. They offer rewards for convictions.

W. H. H. Thomas, brother of Judge John L. Thomas, is a candidate for mayor of De Soto. He will get there.

The Baptist college at Farmington went up in flames on the 29th ult.

Bro. Ake, of the Ironton Register, has purchased a paper in Marianna, Ark., for his son, Frank.

Bro. Fisher says he is not an applicant for the Farmington postoffice. All right, Theo—we take it back.

Bro. Flynn, of the De Soto Gazette, is in the lecture field with "The True Nature of the Irish Race" for a subject.

St. Mary's thinks of prospecting for natural gas. The Progress says they have plenty of the artificial article. If so, why not light the streets with it?

W. F. Story proposed to recussitate the Hibbard Herald. Mr. Story does not want for pluck—that's certain, but his discretion is in question.

A liver-pad fakir is doing up the way-backs who don't read newspapers in Southeast Missouri. Save up your rotten eggs against his appearance in your town.

Campbell, Dunklin county, is to have a flouring mill with \$30,000 back of it.

The Cape Girardeau New Era (daily edition) has given up the ghost. Three, two or even one daily newspaper in a town of that size is pretty sure to get somebody or somebody's creditors into trouble.

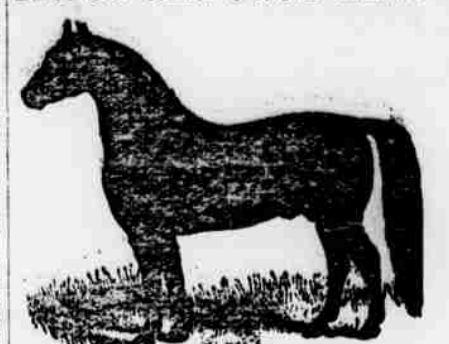
The De Soto papers want a canning factory. They don't know as much about that kind of thing now as they are liable to know a year after they succeed in getting one.

The str. Ohio and State of Missouri have both gone to the bottom of the Mississippi. Bad year for river navigation, it seems.

The display of aurora borealis on Thursday of last week seems to have been pretty generally seen throughout Southeast Missouri.

—Mrs. Vincent Heisserer and Miss Addie Wylie are on the sick list.

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